

Voluntown School Committee's Report

Actual Cost of Schools to Town Was \$2,949.46 Past Year—
Teachers at Center School Reduced From Four to Three
—Total Number of Pupils Registered 140.

According to the annual report of the town school committee of Voluntown, Leonard B. Kinzie, chairman, F. Byron Gallup, secretary, and Edward E. Clarke, the actual cost of the schools to the town last year was \$2,949.46.

In his report for the school year 1916-1917, Supervisor A. L. Young says: The decrease in the number of pupils and the need of offering increased salary for teachers has made it seem advisable to change the number of teachers at the Center from four to three.

Supervisor Young's report follows in part:

Pupils registered 1916-1917.	140
Average attendance in town pupils.	\$5.181
Average attendance out-of-town pupils at Wythe.	1.829
Average attendance at out-of-town high schools.	2.787
Average attendance at Pendleton Hill school.	6.853
Average attendance at out-of-town for state grant.	102.992
Pupils left school during the year.	35
Pupils left on account of death.	0
Pupils left for health.	2
Pupils left to move away.	25
Pupils left at work.	8
Year-end membership.	105
Pupils as far advanced as their ages would suggest.	64
The last expressed as a percent of June membership.	61
Pupils overaged for their grades, June.	41
Pupils promoted during the year.	91
Pupils promoted at year-end.	87
The last expressed as a percent of year-end membership.	87
Pupils not promoted at year-end.	14
Of the last, those too young to expect promotion.	2
Of the same, the number of first-graders, mostly under-aged and late entering.	2
Of the same, the number who were repeaters.	0
The net registration and average attendance for each teacher were as follows:	
Net reg.	Ave. att.
Miss Hannan.	16
Miss Brooke.	21
Miss Gilmore.	22
Miss McVee.	32
Miss Blakelee.	29
Totals.	140

The changes for 1917-18 are as follows: Resigned, all four teachers at the Center school. The decrease in the number of pupils and the need of offering increased salary for teachers has made it seem advisable to change the number of teachers at the Center from 4 to 3. The principal will be Miss Arline Thompson, of Hampton, who is a graduate of Willimantic Normal School, with a year of experience under state supervision. The intermediate teacher is Miss Margaret Hasler, of Taftville, a recent graduate of Willimantic Normal School. The primary teacher is Miss Mollie Rainey, of Ridgefield, a recent graduate of the Willimantic Normal School. At the Wythe school we shall still have Miss Blakelee.

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MYSTIC

Funeral of Stephen Morgan—District Superintendent Holds Quarterly Conference—James Cutler Home from Waterbury Hospital.

Dr. and Mrs. James Morgan, Misses Louise and Annie Morgan and James Morgan of Brooklyn, N. Y., are guests of Mrs. Samuel S. Brown.

Mrs. W. Olin Seales and child of Torrington are visiting friends in the village.

Mrs. Arthur Perry and daughter Ethel have returned to New York after spending the summer at Willow Point.

FUNERAL

Stephen Morgan. The funeral of Stephen Morgan was held Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the home of his sister, Mrs. Samuel S. Brown, and was largely attended by relatives and friends. Rev. A. P. Earnshaw, pastor of the Congregational church, conducted the services. Burial was in Elm Grove cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Kretzer and Carroll Bliven spent Tuesday in Hartford.

Various Items. John B. Grinnell has returned to Bridgeport after a visit with his brother, George E. Grinnell. Mrs. Albert George, Jr., is visiting in New York. Miss Eva Fish is visiting her sister, Mrs. Charles Perkins, in New London. Mrs. L. P. Allen entertained the Missionary society of the Baptist church at her home on New London road Tuesday afternoon. Louise E. White has returned from a few days' stay in East Weymouth. Miss Averil Essex has returned to her home in Glendale, Mass., after a

visit with Misses Helen and Ethel Taber.

James Cutler Home. Mr. and Mrs. William E. Lamphere and Mr. and Mrs. George Cutler motored to Waterbury Sunday. They were accompanied home by James Cutler, who has been a patient in a hospital in that city receiving treatment for appendicitis.

COLCHESTER

Town Business Meeting Adjourned—Annual Meeting of Village Improvement Society.

Oliver Woodhouse lodge, K. of P., met Tuesday evening in Pythian hall. The rank of esquire was worked on one candidate.

The annual business meeting of the town was held at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon in Grange hall. Samuel P. Willard was chairman and John Condrup clerk. The report of the selectmen was accepted. The meeting was adjourned to a later date to finish the business.

Louis Alexander of Millington was a visitor in town Tuesday.

W. C. T. U. Meeting. The annual meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held in the Congregational chapel Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Has Successful Year. The annual meeting of the Village Improvement society was held in Academy hall Tuesday evening. The society has had a very successful year. Several new members were taken in. The regular meeting of the Mothers' club was held in the Academy building Tuesday evening. About the Borough. William O'Brien of Naugatuck was visiting relatives in town the past week. Mrs. Emma Stebbins left Monday for a few weeks' visit with her daughter in Ellington. Walter White of Waterbury is at his home on Hayward avenue for a few days' vacation. Miss May Clarke of East Hartford.

formerly of this place, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Van Cleave over Sunday.

Mrs. Clarence H. Norton, Mrs. Robert S. Brown and Mrs. Carleton H. Skinner of North Westchester were Colchester visitors Monday.

Ronald K. Brown returned to New York Monday morning after three weeks' stay at his summer residence on Broadway.

Francis W. Brown of Norwich was at his home on Norwich avenue Monday.

Frank H. Browning of Norwich was a Colchester caller Tuesday.

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